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1. AS OF EARLY AFTERNOON MAR 12, TURKISH MISSION HAD NOT YET RECEIVED FINAL INSTRUCTIONS (THOUGH IT EXPECTS THEM IMMINENTLY) ON GOT POSITION TOWARD SC DRAFT CYPRUS RESOLUTION THAT IS TO BE PUT TO VOTE LATER THIS AFTERNOON. OLCAI HAS, HOWEVER, BEEN IN TOUCH WITH ANKARA BY TELEPHONE, AND HAS TOLD BUFFUM AND SCHAUFELER GOT POSITION IS "GENERALLY FAVORABLE." HE WILL DESCRIBE TURKISH ATTITUDE TOWARD NEGOTIATIONS BUT WILL NOT RPT NOT RAISE ANY OBJECTION TO RES.

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2. CYPRIOT DELEGATION ALSO HAS NOT YET FINALLY DECIDED WHAT

POSITION IT WILL TAKE ON DRAFT, AND AT NOON WAS CONTINUING TO DISCUSS MATTER. CYPRIOTS DO NOT CONCEL THAT THEY ARE "VERY DISAPPOINTED AND UNHAPPY." NEVERTHELESS, WE BELIEVE IT VIRTUALLY CERTAIN THEY WILL NOT DISSOCIATE THEMSELVES FROM RESOLUTION OR REFUSE TO RETURN TO NEGOTIATIONS. CLERIDES TOLD UK REP HE WOULD MAKE STRONG STATEMENT, BUT IMPLIED HE WOULD NOT REJECT RES.

3. GREEKS HERE ARE RESIGNED TO PRESENT TEXT. AS INDICATED ATHENS 2012, IT NOT EXACTLY WHAT GOG WANTED BUT IT IS ACCEPTABLE TO THEM IF GREEK CYPRIOTS NOT TOO NEGATIVE. GREEK DEL SAYS GOG IS URGING NICOSIA TO GO ALONG.

4. UK DEL HAS WORKED OUT WITH TURKISH MISSION NEW TEXT OF STATEMENT BY SC PRESIDENT, BASICALLY ON VENUE, ON WHICH IT IS NOW CONSULTING WITH FRANCE, ITALY AND SC NON-ALIGNED. CURRENT WORDING, WHICH CLERIDES REGARDS AS HELPFUL, IS AS FOLLOWS: "THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL REQUEST THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO REPORT TO IT WHENEVER HE CONSIDERS TI APPROPRIATE AND TAKING ACCOUNT OF THE VIEWS OF THE PARTIES CONCERNED ON ADDITIONAL NEW ELEMENTS WHICH HE BELIEVES MIGHT FACILITATE THE EARLY AND SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS IN FULFILLMENT OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION.

"I BELIEVE I ALSO SPEAK FOR THE COUNCIL IN NOTING THAT IT WOULD BE THE MOST PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENT IF THE TALKS WERE NORMALLY TO TAKE PLACE AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE UN. I UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S INTENTION TO CONSULT WITH THE PARTIES ON THE VENUE AND OTHER MODALITIES OF THE TALKS."

AFTER SC PRESIDENT MAKES THIS STATEMENT, SCENARIO IS FOR TURK CYPRIOT REP CHELIK TO STATE THAT WHILE HE UNDERSTANDS THIS TO BE THE VIEW OF THE COUNCIL, TURK CYPRIOT POSITION IS THAT NEW YORK WOULD NOT BE THE MOST PRACTICAL LOCATION, AND THAT NICOSIA WOULD BE HIS SIDE'S PRIORITY VENUE.

5. SINCE TURKS AND GREEKS NOW ACCEPT TEXT, PURSUANT TO PREVIOUS GUIDANCE FROM SECRETARY WE PLAN TO VOTE AFFIRMATIVELY.
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